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MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



# READING CONTENT REQUIREMENTS: A TEACHER'S GUIDE

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Teacher	Age/Grade Level	Minimum Number of Semester Hours Required*	Time to Complete Credits
<b>Preservice Teacher in MD-Approved Program or Content Mastery Applicant</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Early Childhood Education</li> <li>•Elementary Education</li> <li>•Special Education: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Birth - Grade 3</li> <li>•Grades 1-8</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	12 Semester Hours	From time of enrollment in approved program to completion or by completion of content mastery requirements
<b>Preservice Teacher in MD-Approved Program or Content Mastery Applicant</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Secondary Education</li> <li>•Special Education: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Grades 6-12</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	6 Semester Hours	From time of enrollment in approved program to completion or by completion of content mastery requirements
<b>Preservice Teacher in MD-Approved Program or Content Mastery Applicant</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•N-12 Certificate</li> <li>•Teachers of English for Speakers of Other Languages</li> </ul>	6 Semester Hours	From time of enrollment in approved program to completion or by completion of content mastery requirements
<b>Teacher Seeking Certificate Renewal or Reinstatement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Early Childhood Education</li> <li>•Elementary Education</li> <li>•Special Education: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Birth - Grade 3</li> <li>•Grades 1-8</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	12 Semester Hours	2 Renewal Periods <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•6 credits within 1st renewal period</li> <li>•6 credits within 2nd renewal period</li> </ul>
<b>Teacher Seeking Certificate Renewal or Reinstatement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Secondary Education</li> <li>•Special Education: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Grades 6-12</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	6 Semester Hours	1 Renewal Period
<b>Teacher Seeking Certificate Renewal or Reinstatement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•N-12 Certificate</li> <li>•Teachers of English for Speakers of Other Languages</li> </ul>	6 Semester Hours	1 Renewal Period
<b>Resident Teacher</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Elementary Education</li> </ul>	12 Semester Hours	By expiration of Resident Teacher Certificate (renewable for 3rd year)
<b>Resident Teacher</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Secondary Education</li> </ul>	6 Semester Hours	By expiration of Resident Teacher Certificate (renewable for 2nd year)

\* Teachers who have already taken comparable courses will be able to substitute those courses for the requirements.

*For more information, call 410-767-0600 (Baltimore area) Toll-Free 1-888-246-0016*